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### **NEWS RELEASE**

The International Bridge Administration today announced that one-way traffic crossings of the International Bridge at Sault Ste. Marie totaled 142,150 for the month of January, 2003. This figure represents a decrease of 1.11% as compared to January, 2002.

Traffic statistics for the month are as follows:

<i>Vehicle Classification</i>	<i>One-Way Crossings</i>	<i>Percent of Inc/Dec. from 1/02</i>	<i>Percent of Total Crossings</i>
<b><i>Full-Fare Passenger Cars:</i></b>	67,249	6.2%	47.3%
<b><i>Commuter Fare:</i></b>	61,760	-9.8%	43.4%
<b><i>Cars Pulling Trailers:</i></b>	3,268	112.2%	2.3%
<b><i>Commercial Trucks:</i></b>	9,873	-5.4%	7.0%
<b><i>Totals:</i></b>	142,150		100%

Traffic for calendar year 2003 has totaled 142,150 vehicles; this represents a decrease of 1.11% as compared to 2002. Since the bridge opened in 1962, over 73,377,000 vehicles have crossed the structure.

Manager's Note: Construction activity related to the new U.S. Customs / Immigration and Naturalization Service Border Station facility has started at the U.S. Plaza. There are provisions in the 2 year long project to facilitate the continued smooth, safe and secure flow of bridge traffic. Delays due to construction will be infrequent and short term. Your patience during this major improvement is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

***International Bridge Administration***

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